Kelly Tenant House Catherine Street Bel Air, Maryland 21014

This two-story, gable-roofed, board-and-batten cottage served as a tenant house on the Howard A. Kelly estate. Howard Kelly, who purchased a 200-acre farm in 1897, was one of the founding "Big Four" of Johns Hopkins Hospital and a pioneer in the fields of gynecology, radiotherapy, and herpetology (the study of snakes). This estate was the Kelly family's summer residence, and a sumptuous house (HA-230) was commissioned to replace the earlier brick manor house (HA-229). Part of the land was sold off for a development, but this was a working farm until the 1950's and many of the original barns and outbuildings are still standing. The property -- minus this house and the earlier brick house -- has been purchased by Harford County for Heavenly Waters Park

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Kelly tenant house is located at the southeast corner of the Kelly estate and fronts on Catherine Street in Bel Air.

This two-story gable-roofed house covered with board-and-batten siding is el-shaped with a shed-roofed addition on the west side of the el. Set on a raised stone foundation, the house has two brick interior chimneys, one in the west end of the front (or south) section, one at the juncture of the el. Windows have 6/6 sash and, on the front section, louvered shutters.

The south or front part is three bays wide and one room deep, with windows arranged symmetrically around a center entrance and shed-roofed portico. The west end is blank except for a four-light gable window. The east end has one window in each story.

The el has 6/6 sash windows in the first story and 3/3 sash windows in the second.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The house served as a tenant house on the Kelly farm (HA-230), although it is not clear whether it was built by Howard Kelly, who purchased the property in 1897, or one of the previous owners.

Howard Kelly was one of the 'Big Four' of Johns Hopkins Hospital-i.e. one of the four heads of clinical services-and a pioneer in gynecology, radiotherapy, and herpetology (the study of snakes). He was the chief of gynecology at Hopkins and had a private clinic on Eutaw Place in Baltimore.

The 200-acre estate in Bel Air was his family's summer residence, and he had a sumptuous house (HA-230) designed by the Baltimore architectural firm, Wyatt and Nolting. The estate was a working farm until the 1950's, and many of the original barns and outhuildings are extant. The property -minus this building and the original brick manor ruse (Graybeal-Kelly house, HA-229)- has been sold to the Harford County Department of Parks & Recreation for a park.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land & Will records of Harford County Interview with F. H. Kelly, April, 1979

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle

Annapolis, Maryland 21401

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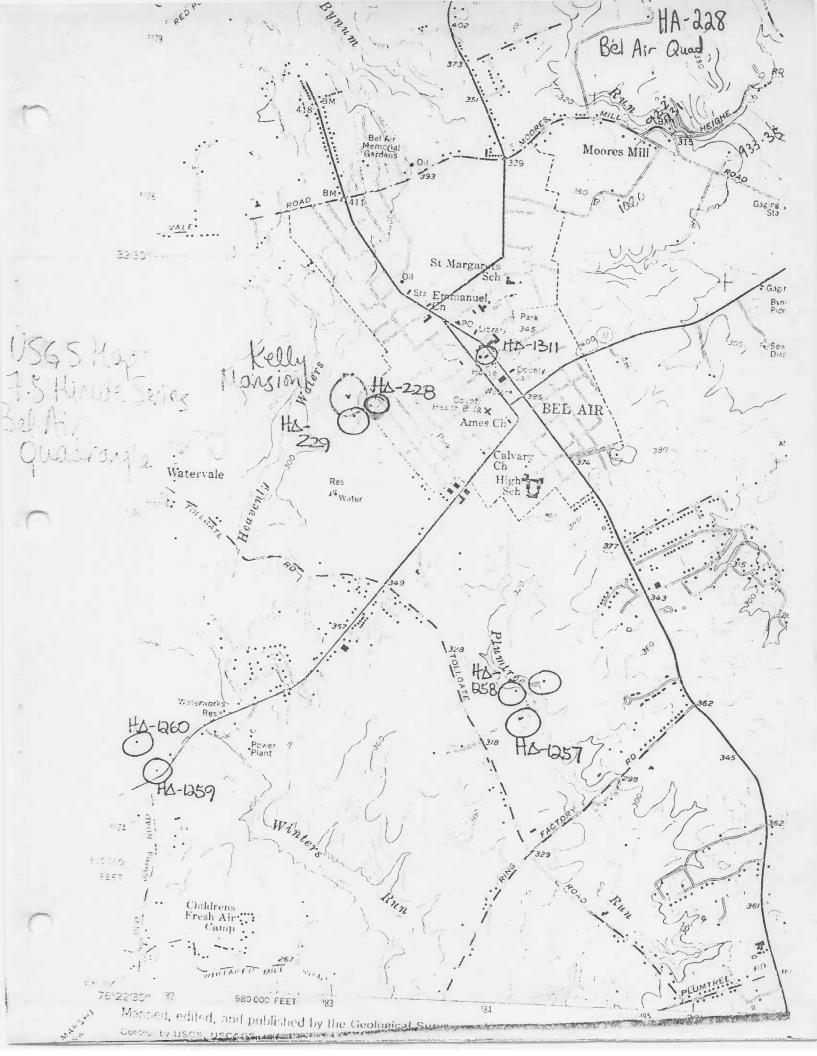
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